

CREDIT ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION

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The Kansas City Bankruptcy Bar Association
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The University of Missouri Extension Service

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Dear Bankruptcy Attorneys,

In 2005, a group of judges and attorneys, with the help of the University of Missouri Extension Services, developed the Credit Abuse Resistance Education (C.A.R.E.) Program to take the message on credit use and abuse to high school students in the Kansas City Area. Dr. Carole Bozworth of the Extension Office helped prepare materials for the presentations that meet the educational standards of the states of Kansas and Missouri. Members of the Kansas and Missouri Bankruptcy Bar and several of the judges have undergone training to become volunteer presenters. This has been a valuable service to the community and has been well received by both teachers and students. In addition, this provides a valuable opportunity for each of us individually to give something back to the community and to educate tomorrow's consumers on the risks we see everyday.

We are now making plans to expand the program to more area high schools and some of the local junior colleges have expressed an interest in C.A.R.E. Program as well. This expansion will require a larger base of trained volunteer presenters. Once a volunteer is trained, s/he is added to the list-serve and notified of opportunities to do presentations at area schools. If you respond that your schedule allows you to participate on that day and time, you will be paired with another volunteer presenter and will be provided with directions to the school and a sufficient quantity of brochures to give to the students.

Please consider joining the pool of available volunteers by participating in our next training program. Paul Hoffmann has reserved a large conference room in the offices of Stinson Morrison Hecker on Friday, January 4, 2008. Carole Bozworth will lead the training from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. and put on your calendar:

C.A.R.E. Presenter Training
Friday, January 4, 2008
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
The offices of Stinson Morrison Hecker LLP
1201 Walnut Street, Suite 3500
Kansas City, MO 64106
R.S.V.P. to Lisa Epps at lepps@spencerfane.com or 816-474-8100

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